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Parking in Exit Ways for Residential Buildings

Interpretations of State and Local Building Codes
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I. Requirements

Section 1001.1 of the Building Code states that a means of egress is an exit system that provides a continuous, unobstructed and undiminished path of exit travel from any occupied point in a building or structure to a public way. In general, parking spaces extending into any required width of exit to a public way are considered to be obstructions.

II. Exception

When the total occupant load of a residential building (Group R, Division 1) is less than 50 and two exits are provided to a public way, however, unroofed parking parallel to the direction of travel may be permitted within one of the required exit ways.